GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Corn Weakens After Steady Opening and Carries Wheat Down.

FOREIGN REPORTS COME WEAK

Damage Reports Has Not the Strength to Detain Values Against the Favorable Growing Weather.

OMAHA, May 22, 1908.

Corn weakened considerably after a steady opening and carried wheat lower with it.

Cables came weak and damage reports have not the strength to hold values against the favorable growing weather.

Wheat opened quiet, but steady, with no wheat offered. An easier feeling was evident when corn dropped and some selling drove prices lower. The cash market was slow and offered no support.

May option opened at 94c and closed at 93c.

Corn opened nervous and choppy and bobbed up and down, with little strength shown on either side. The market grew featureless toward the close and values sagged off easily.

May corn opened at 65c and closed at 66c.

Primary wheat receipts were 355,000 bushels and shipments were 487,000 bushels, against receipts last year of 526,000 bushels and shipments of 515,000 bushels.

Corn receipts were 502,000 bushels and shipments were 471,000 bushels, against receipts last year of 363,000 bushels and shipments of 545,000 bushels.

Clearances were 9,000 bushels of corn, 1,000 bushels of oats and wheat and flour equal to 37,000 bushels.

Liverpool closed ½@¾d lower on wheat and ½d lower on corn.

Seaboard reported 300,000 bushels of wheat and 24,000 bushels of corn taken for export.

Local range of options:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
Wheat—					
May...	94	94	93	93	94
July...	83⅝	83⅝	83⅛	83⅛	83
Sept...	80	80	80	80	80
Corn—					
May...	66	66	65	65	66
July...	61⅝	61⅝	61⅛	61⅛	61⅝
Sept...	60	60	60	60	60
Oats—					
May...	49⅝	49⅝	49⅝	49⅝	49⅝

Omaha Cash Prices.

WHEAT—No. 2 hard, 94@95c; No. 3 hard, 88@92c; No. 4 hard, 84@89c; No. 5 spring, 86@88c.

CORN—No. 2, 68½c; No. 3, 67½c; No. 4, 66½@67c; No. 2 yellow, 68½c; No. 3 yellow, 68c; No. 3 white, 68½c; No. 3 white, 67½c.

OATS—No. 3 mixed, 50½@51c; No. 3 white, 51½c; No. 4 white, 50½@51c.

RYE—No. 2, 70@72c; No. 3, 70@72c.

Carlot Receipts.

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.
Omaha	24	74	4

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Features of the Trading and Closing Prices on Board of Trade.

CHICAGO, May 22.—Optimistic reports regarding the condition of the crop in Kansas caused weakness today in the local wheat market, the July delivery closing at a net decline of ¼c. Corn was down ⅝@⅞c. Provisions were 5@7c to 10c lower.

The wheat market was erratic, prices ranging from ⅛@⅜c higher to ⅝@⅞c lower than the close yesterday. The greatest weakness was manifested late in the day and was caused chiefly by a report from Kansas. The wheat crop in Kansas, in spite of damage done by drouth, will be anywhere from 80,000,000 to 100,000,000 bushels. Damage reports received early in the day from Bulgaria, Roumania and Kansas had a strengthening effect. A bearish factor was the large amount of wheat shipped from Argentina during the week. The market closed weak. July opened ⅛@⅜c lower, at 90⅝@90⅞c, advanced to 91⅛c and then declined to 90⅛c, where it closed. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 98,000 bushels. Exports for the week as shown by Bradstreet's were equal to 2,930,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 350,000 bushels, against 562,000 bushels on the same day last year. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 192 cars, against 183 cars last week and 340 cars a year ago.

Corn was weak on selling. The market was subjected to considerable selling pressure all day and closed weak and near the lowest point. The increase in offerings was due to a report that a large amount of corn is in route to Chicago and also because of the improved weather for farm work. Trade in the May delivery was light, but that option dropped from 77⅛c to 73c. The market closed weak and May at 75½c. July opened ⅛@¼c to ⅜c higher, at 66⅛@66⅜c, declined to 65⅛@65⅝c and closed at 65⅝c. Local receipts 182 cars with 51 cars of contract grade.

The oats market was steady all day, the feature being the selling of September by longs. July opened unchanged, at 46⅝c, sold between 46⅝c and 46⅞@47c and closed at 46⅝c. Local receipts were 38 cars.

Provisions were weak on selling of lard by local packers. A 5@10c advance in live hogs had apparently no effect. At the close July pork was 10c lower, at $13.62½. Lard was 10c lower, at $8.47½. Ribs were 5@7½c lower, at $7.35@7.37½.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 58 cars; corn, 239 cars; oats, 148 cars; hogs, 14,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat					
May	1 01⅝	1 02¼	1 01⅝	1 02¼	1 03
July	90⅝@⅞	91⅛	90⅛	90⅛	90⅝
Sept.	86⅝@⅞	87⅛	86⅛@⅜	86⅝	86⅞
Corn—					
May	77⅝	77⅝	75	75½	77½
July	66⅛@⅜	66⅝	65⅛@⅜	65⅝	66 @⅛
Sept.	64⅛@⅜	64⅝	63⅝	63⅝	64⅛
*Oats—					
aMay	55	55	54⅛	54⅝	56
bMay	54	54⅛	54	54⅛	54
aJuly	46⅞	46⅞@⅞	46⅝	46⅞	46⅞
bJuly	45½	45½	45½	45½	45½
Sept.	37⅝	37⅝	37⅛	37⅛@⅜	37⅛
Pork—					
July	13 72½	13 72½	13 60	13 62½	13 72½
Sept.	14 00	14 00	13 87½	13 90	13 97½
Lard—					
July	8 55	8 55	8 45	8 47½	8 57½
Sept.	8 72½	8 72½	8 63½	8 65	8 75
Ribs—					
July	7 40	7 40	7 35	7 37½	7 42½
Sept.	7 65	7 65	7 57½	7 57½	7 65

*No. 2. aOld. bNew.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR — Steady; spring patents, $5.30@5.70; straights, $4.10@4.35; winter patents, $4.40@4.70; straights, $4.10@4.30; bakers, $3.10.

WHEAT—No. 3, 92c@$1.07; No. 2 red, $1.01@$1.02½.

CORN—No. 2, 75½@75¾; No. 2 yellow, 75¾@76c.

OATS—No. 2, 54¾c; No. 2 white, 56½c; No. 3 white, 51@54c.

BARLEY—Fair to choice malting 65@70c.

SEEDS—Flax, No. 1 northwestern, $1.35. Timothy, prime, $4.10@4.15.

PROVISIONS—Short ribs sides (loose), $6.87½@7.30. Mess pork, per bbl., $13.50@13.62½. Lard, per 100 lbs., $8.40. Short clear sides (boxed), $7.50@7.62½.

Following were the receipts and shipments of flour and grain:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	21,800	22,400
Wheat, bu.	21,000	45,000
Corn, bu.	223,000	318,800
Oats, bu.	219,000	354,100
Rye, bu.	1,000	3,800
Barley, bu.	45,100	19,100

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 19@23c; dairies, 16@20c. Eggs, steady; at mark, cases included, 14½@15½c; firsts, 15½c; prime firsts, 16c. Cheese, steady; 10½@12½c.

Liverpool Grain Market.

LIVERPOOL, May 22.—WHEAT—Spot steady; No. 2 red western winter, 7s 5½d; No. 1 California, 7s 7½d, on quays, and 7s 8½d, in store; futures barely steady; July 7s 6¾d; September, 7s 2½d; December, 7s 2¾d.

CORN—Spot, new American, kiln dried, firm at 5s 8d; old American mixed steady at 5s 10½d; futures quiet; May, 5s 10½d.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 22.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard $1.06½; No. 1 northern, $1.07½; No. 2, $1.05½; No. 3, $1.00@1.03; July, $1.05¼; September, 91½c.

BRAN—In bulk, $21.75@22.00.

FLOUR—Market unchanged; first patents, $5.40@5.60; second patents, $5.30@5.45; first clears, $4.75@4.85; second clears, $3.50@3.65.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, May 22.—WHEAT—Market steady; No. 1 northern, $1.10@1.11; No. 2 northern, $1.07@1.09½; July, 90½c bid.

BARLEY—Dull; No. 2, 75c; sample, 60@75c.

CORN—Lower; No. 3, cash, 74@75c; July, 65½c bid.

Philadelphia Produce.

PHILADELPHIA, May 22.—BUTTER—Firm; extra western creamery, 25c; nearby prints, 26c.

EGGS—Market ½c lower on current receipts; Pennsylvania and other nearby firsts, free cases, 17½c at mark; current receipts in returnable cases, 16½c at mark; western firsts, free cases, 17½c at mark; current receipts, free cases, 16½c at mark.

CHEESE—Steady; old New York full creams, choice, 14@14½c; fair to good, 12@13½c; new, 11½@12c as to quality.

WEATHER IN THE GRAIN BELT

Fair Saturday and Slightly Warmer, Says Forecaster.

OMAHA, May 22, 1908.

While considerable cloudiness is shown in all sections, generally fair weather prevails in all portions of the country. Light rains are falling in western Montana and southern Colorado. The weather is much cooler in the upper Mississippi valley and upper lake region. A slight but general rise in temperature is shown in all other sections, except in southeastern Montana, where freezing weather, with heavy frosts, is reported. The temperature will rise slowly in this vicinity tonight and Saturday, with continued fair tonight and probably Saturday.

Omaha record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the past three years:

	1908.	1907.	1906.	1905.
Minimum temperature	49	64	62	58
Precipitation	.00	.08	.61	.00

Normal temperature for today 64 degrees.

Deficiency in precipitation since March 1, 2.41 inches.

Deficiency corresponding period in 1907, 5.36 inches.

Deficiency corresponding period in 1906, .81 of an inch.

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

Corn and Wheat Region Bulletin.

For the twenty-four hours ending at 8 a. m., 75th meridian time, Friday, May 22, 1908:

OMAHA DISTRICT.

Stations.	—Temp.— Max.	Min.	Rain-fall.	Sky.
Ashland, Neb.	79	46	.00	Clear
Auburn, Neb.	65	49	.11	Clear
Columbus, Neb.	67	49	.03	Clear
Fairbury, Neb.	71	47	.00	Clear
Fairmont, Neb.	73	49	.00	Clear
Gr. Island, Neb.	71	43	.00	Pt. cloudy
Hartington, Neb.	70	36	.00	Clear
Hastings, Neb.	71	49	.00	Clear
Oakdale, Neb.	67	34	.00	Pt. cloudy
Omaha, Neb.	64	41	.00	Clear
Tekamah, Neb.	67	41	.00	Clear
Alta, Ia.	69	29	.03	Clear
Carroll, Ia.	62	39	.04	Clear
Clarinda, Ia.	65	41	.02	Clear
Sibley, Ia.	59	36	.01	Clear
*Sioux City, Ia.	64	42	T	Cloudy

* Minimum temperature for twelve-hour period ending at 8 a. m.

DISTRICT AVERAGES.

Station.	No. of Stations.	—Temp.— Max.	Min.	Rain. Inches.
Chicago, Ill.	25	80	58	.24
Columbus, O.	18	80	58	.10
Des Moines, Ia.	14	68	44	.36
Indianapolis, Ind.	12	82	62	.34
Kansas City, Mo.	18	74	48	.06
Louisville, Ky.	16	84	60	.34
Minneapolis, Minn.	26	54	36	.16
Omaha, Neb.	16	68	40	.02
St. Louis, Mo.	11	84	56	.68

The weather is much cooler in the western portion of the corn and wheat region and freezing temperatures are reported at points in the Minnesota district. Showers occurred in all districts within the last twenty-four hours.

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, May 22.—FLOUR—Receipts, 38,100 bbls.; exports, 1,100 bbls; market quiet and about steady. Minnesota patents, $5.20@5.60; winter straights, $4.30@4.50; Minnesota bakers, $4.00@4.20; winter extras, $3.50@4.10; winter patents, $4.50@4.80; winter low grades, $3.40@3.90. Rye flour, steady; fair to good, $4.50@4.90; choice to fancy, $4.95@5.15.

CORNMEAL—Steady; fine white and yellow, $1.60@1.65; coarse, $1.50@1.55; kiln dried, $3.85.

RYE—Dull; No. 2 western, 85c, nominal, f. o. b., New York.

WHEAT—Receipts, 24,000 bu.; exports, 15,800 bu. Spot market irregular; No. 2 red, $1.06, nominal, elevator, and $1.08, for late July, f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, $1.15½, f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 hard winter, $1.11½, f. o. b. afloat. After holding steady all day on bullish crop news, light western receipts and further export inquiry, then broke near the close on predictions for heavy world's shipments and was finally ⅜@⅝c net lower on leading positions. May closed at $1.07½, July closed at 99½c and September closed at 94½c.

CORN—Receipts, 10,750 bu.; exports, 8,600 bu. Spot market steady; No. 2, 78c, nominal, elevator, and 76c, nominal, f. o. b. afloat. Options were without transactions, closing ¼@¾c lower, May closed at 76⅝c, July closed at 74½c and September closed at 73½c.

OATS—Receipts, 58,500 bu.; exports, none. Spot market steady; mixed oats, 26 to 32 pounds, 54c; natural white, 26 to 32 pounds, 57½@59c; clipped white, 32 to 40 pounds, 57½@64½c.

HAY—Quiet; good to choice, 90c@$1.00, nominal.

HIDES—Firm; Bogota, 17½c; Central Average, 17½c.

LEATHER—Quiet; acid, 19@27c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $18.50@17.00; mess, $13.50@14.00; beef hams, $26.00@28.00; packet, $14.50@15.00; city extra India mess, $24.00@25.00. Cut meats, quiet; pickled bellies, 10-20@10.00; pickled hams, $10.00. Lard, easy; western, $8.40@8.50; refined, steady; continent, $9.00; South America, $9.60; compound, $7.75@8.12½. Pork, steady; family, $17.00@18.00; short clears, $15.75@17.25; mess, $14.75@15.25.

TALLOW—Steady; city ($2 per pkg.), 5½c; country (pks. free), 5@5½c.

RICE—Firm; domestic, fair to extra, 3¼@6¾c; Japan, nominal.

POULTRY—Alive, dull; spring chickens, 30c; fowls, 13½c; turkeys, 11c. Dressed, weak; western spring chickens, 25@32c; turkeys, 12@17c; fowls, 11@14c.

BUTTER—Easy; creamery specials, 23c; extras, 22½c; third to first, 17@22c; state dairy, common to finest, 17@23c; process, common to special, 13½@21½c; western factory, first, 17½c.

CHEESE—Steady; state full cream, new, 9½@10½c.

EGGS—Steady; state, Pennsylvania and nearby fancy, selected, white, 20½@21c; good to choice, 19½@20c; brown and mixed, fancy, 19½@20c; firsts to extra firsts, 18@19c; fresh gathered, storage packed, firsts, 17@17½c.

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, May 22.—WHEAT—Lower; No. 2 red cash, track, $1.02½@1.03½; No. 2 hard, 96c@$1.05; July, 86⅛@86⅛c; September, 84c.

CORN—Lower; track, No. 2 cash, 72½@73c; July, 64⅝c; September, 63½@62⅝c; No. 2 white, 74@75c.

OATS—Lower; track, No. 2 cash, 53c; May, 51½c; September, 50⅝; No. 2 white, 55c.

RYE—Lower at 80c.

FLOUR—Dull; red winter patents, $4.60@4.90; extra fancy and straight, $4.10@4.55; clears, $3.55@3.70.

SEED—Timothy, steady; $3.50@4.50.

CORNMEAL—Steady; $3.30.

BRAN—Firm; sacked, east track, $1.18@1.21.

HAY—Lower; timothy, $1.00@16.50; prairie, $1.00@11.00.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.00.

BAGGING—7½c.

HEMP TWINE—8c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, lower; jobbing, $13.65. Lard, lower; prime steam, $7.80@8.05. Dry salt meats, steady; boxed extra shorts, $7.75; clear ribs, $7.62½; short clears, $8.00. Bacon, steady; boxed extra shorts, $8.50; clear ribs, $8.37½; short clears, $8.12½.

POULTRY—Firm; chickens, 10c; springs, 22@23c; turkeys, 11@12c; ducks, 7c; geese, 5c.

BUTTER—Dull; creamery, 18@22c.

EGGS—Firm at 14c, case count.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	3,000	6,000
Wheat, bu.	64,000	39,000
Corn, bu.	121,000	64,000
Oats, bu.	50,000	34,000

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, May 22.—WHEAT—Unchanged; May, 83c; July, 83c; September, 86½c; cash, No. 2 hard, 93@99c; No. 3 hard, 93@98c; No. 2 red, 90c; No. 3 red, 93@94c.

CORN—Unchanged to 1c lower; May, 66½c; July, 61c; September, 58½c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 68½c; No. 3 mixed, 68½c; No. 2 white, 70c; No. 3 white, 70c.

OATS—Unchanged; No. 2 white, 53½c; No. 3 mixed, 50c.

RYE—146@78c.

HAY—Choice timothy steady at $11.50@12.00; choice prairie lower at $9.00@9.50.

BUTTER—Firm; creamery, 20c; packing stock, 15c.

EGGS—Steady; extra, 15c; current receipts, 14c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu.	73,000	47,000
Corn, bu.	37,000	58,000
Oats, bu.	13,000	12,000

Options at Kansas City:

Articles.	Open	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
July	83⅛	84	83	83
September	81⅛	81⅛	80⅛	80⅛
Corn—				
July	61⅝	61⅝@⅞	61	61
September	59⅛	59⅛@¼	58⅛	58⅛

Toledo Seed Market.

TOLEDO, May 22.—SEEDS—Clover, October, $7.50; December, $7.45.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS

Peculiar Movements of Values is Puzzling to Traders.

VOLUME OF TRANSACTIONS SMALL

Brisk Rally at Opening is Followed by Sharp Reaction, and Thereafter Market is Irregular.

NEW YORK, May 22.—The contraction in the dealings in stocks today seemed to indicate some subsidence of speculative interest, the total sales for the day falling to the smallest for any day this week. The price movement was as puzzling to any effort to discern the real conviction of those operating in the market as for several days past. The constant backing and filling kept alive a suspicion that concealment was being sought for the genuine transactions under a cloud of manipulative orders and the shifting operations of the traders induced by those orders.

The opening prices, coupled to the brisk rally at yesterday's closing, resulted in bringing prices in some cases up to near the high levels touched earlier in the week. Traders who thought that this heralded renewal of the advance to new high levels and who bought stocks on the assumption were then disconcerted by a sharp reaction. The movement thereafter was almost wholly confused. The reaction came at the time an announcement was made that a suit had been filed by the government against the New Haven system alleging violation of the anti-trust law. The mitigation of the rigor of the administration policy of the pursuit of the railroad corporations has been a good deal dwelt on in speculative discussion as one of the grounds for the recent advance in the stock market. This news appealed to some of those who had bought stocks on such assumptions. Otherwise there was little reflection of new events in the day's market, except in individual stocks. Pacific Mail jumped spasmodically on the news that the ship subsidy provision had gone to conference in the postoffice appropriation bill and relapsed even more violently when the vote rejecting the conference report was reported. National Lead reflected a report that the price of that metal had been advanced, the special heaviness of Amalgamated Copper was partly in response to a decline in that metal in London. The decision of the steel magnates to maintain the prices of finished products seemed to meet with the favor of stock operators. United States Steel rising sharply at the outset. That stock moved as narrowly and sluggishly throughout as it has for a long time past. Not much interest was shown in the forecasts of the bank statement owing to the unvariegated character of the money market. The week's absorption by the subtreasury and the gold exports amounted to $8,736,000 and only rough cash seems to have been received on balance on the interior movement to reduce this decline to about $5,000,000. Engagements for export were announced for tomorrow, but intimations were given that more would go out next week. Discount rates declined both in London and Paris today. Foreign exchange here was unchanged. Time money markets showed some activity, especially for six months, for which rates were made at 3½ per cent.

Bonds were heavy. Total sales, par value, $4,546,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

Following were the sales and range of prices on the Stock exchange:

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
Adams Express				181
Amalgamated Copper	61,400	66⅞	64⅞	64⅞
American C. & F.	1,700	37⅞	37	36⅞
do pfd				97
American Cotton Oil	300	30⅞	30⅞	30
do pfd				90
American Express				215
American H. & L. pfd				18⅞
American Ice	1,900	27⅞	27	27⅞
American Linseed Oil				10⅞
do pfd				71⅞
American Locomotive	600	49⅞	49	49
do pfd	100	102	102	102
American S. & R.	60,300	74	71⅞	72⅞
do pfd	1,100	97⅞	96⅞	97⅞
American Sugar Ref.	600	130	128⅞	129
Amer. Tob., pfd certif.	700	91	90⅞	90
Anaconda Mining Co.	6,600	42⅞	42⅞	41⅞
Atchison	2,400	23⅞	22⅞	23
do pfd	100	92	92	91⅞
Atlantic Coast Line	200	93⅞	93	90⅞
Baltimore & Ohio	3,500	90	88⅞	88⅞
do pfd				94
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	13,200	51⅞	50	50
Canadian Pacific	5,400	160⅞	158⅞	159⅞
Central of New Jersey				190
Chesapeake & Ohio	15,600	46	44⅞	44⅞
Chicago Gt. Western	400	7⅞	7⅞	7
Chicago & Northwestern	700	154	153	153⅞
C., M. & St. P.	19,900	139⅞	136	136⅞
Chicago T. & T.				10
do pfd				58
C., C., C. & St. L.	200	89⅞	89⅞	89
Colo. Fuel & Iron	13,700	30⅞	28⅞	29⅞
Colo. & Southern	400	31⅞	31⅞	31⅞
do 1st pfd	300	59⅞	59⅞	59
do 2d pfd	200	49⅞	49⅞	48⅞
Consolidated Gas	7,600	128⅞	126⅞	126⅞
Corn Products	2,100	16⅞	16	16⅞
do pfd				73
Delaware & Hudson	600	163⅞	162⅞	163
D., L. & W.				540
Denver & Rio Grande	900	26⅞	26	26⅞
do pfd	200	66	64⅞	64
Distillers' Securities	1,800	35⅞	35⅞	35⅞
Erie	9,500	29⅞	27⅞	29⅞
do 1st pfd	1,400	43	41⅞	42⅞
do 2d pfd	200	30⅞	29⅞	29
General Electric	1,800	138⅞	136⅞	136⅞
Illinois Central	1,800	141⅞	140	140
International Paper	100	10⅞	10⅞	10⅞
do pfd	100	56	56	56
International Pump				22⅞
do pfd				73
Iowa Central				16⅞
do pfd	300	35⅞	35⅞	35⅞
Kansas City Southern	200	25⅞	24⅞	24⅞
do pfd	400	57	56⅞	56⅞
Louisville & Nashville	1,000	110	109⅞	109⅞
Mexican Central	1,800	16⅞	16⅞	16⅞
Minn. & St. Louis	200	30	30	30
M., St. P. & St. Ste. M.	500	113	112	111⅞
do pfd	100	135⅞	135⅞	136⅞
Missouri Pacific	6,700	63⅞	61⅞	61⅞
M., K. & T.	2,200	35⅞	34⅞	34⅞
do pfd	400	65⅞	63⅞	67⅞
National Lead	16,600	45⅞	43	44⅞
*Nat. R. R. of Mexico pfd.				90
New York Central	2,800	106	104⅞	104⅞
N., Y., O. & W.	1,000	40⅞	40⅞	40
Norfolk & Western	1,000	71	71	70
do pfd				90
North American	1,200	61⅞	60⅞	61⅞
Pacific Mail	10,300	22	21⅞	21⅞
Pennsylvania	35,400	127⅞	125⅞	126⅞
People's Gas	400	92⅞	92	92
P., C. C. & St. L.				76
Pressed Steel Car	200	28	28	28
do pfd				87
Pullman Palace Car	100	159	159	160
Reading	291,600	117⅞	113⅞	114
do 1st pfd	300	87	86⅞	86
do 2d pfd	300	85⅞	85⅞	84⅞
Republic Steel	1,400	18⅞	17⅞	17⅞
do pfd	1,100	67⅞	67⅞	67
Rock Island Co.	1,300	18⅞	18⅞	18⅞
do pfd	2,100	38⅞	37⅞	37⅞
St. L. & S. F. 2d pfd	2,200	51	50	50⅞
St. Louis Southwestern	500	40⅞	40⅞	40
Southern Pacific	3,200	88	86⅞	86⅞
do pfd	200	120	119⅞	118⅞
Southern Railway	2,000	18⅞	18⅞	18⅞
do pfd	700	27⅞	25⅞	25⅞
Texas & Pacific	800	25⅞	24⅞	24⅞
T., St. L. & W.	200	19⅞	19⅞	19
do pfd	200	45⅞	45	44
Union Pacific	227,300	151⅞	148	148⅞
do pfd	300	85⅞	84⅞	83
United States Express				81
United States Realty	1,600	48	45	47
United States Rubber	400	28⅞	28	28
do pfd	200	93⅞	93⅞	92
United States Steel	79,100	38	35⅞	35⅞
do pfd	4,100	103⅞	102⅞	102⅞
Va.-Carolina Chemical	200	26	24⅞	24⅞
do pfd	100	97⅞	97⅞	97⅞
Wabash	1,500	14⅞	13⅞	13⅞
do pfd	11,900	29	27⅞	27⅞
Wells-Fargo Express				208
Westinghouse Electric	350	52⅞	51	51
Western Union				58
Wheeling & Lake Erie	900	19⅞	19	19
Wisconsin Central	100	18	18	17⅞
do pfd				41⅞
Northern Pacific	18,600	138⅞	133⅞	134
Central Leather	1,900	18	17⅞	17⅞
do pfd				86⅞
Sloss-Sheffield Steel	100	50	50	50
Great Northern pfd	16,400	121⅞	120⅞	120⅞
Interborough Met.	4,000	12⅞	11⅞	11⅞
do pfd	4,000	33	31	31⅞
Utah Copper	2,200	32	31⅞	31⅞
Tennessee Copper	800	37⅞	36⅞	36⅞

*Offered.

Total sales for the day, 884,000 shares.

London Closing Stocks.

LONDON, May 22.—American securities opened firm today. Prices during the early trading were ⅛ to ⅝ higher than yesterday's New York closing.

London closing stock quotations:

Consols, money	88 9-16	Mo., Kan. & Texas	30⅞
do account	88⅞	New York Central	109⅞
Anaconda	28⅞	Norfolk & Western	72⅞
Atchison	84⅞	do pfd	92
do pfd	95⅞	Ontario & Western	42⅞
Baltimore & Ohio	92	Pennsylvania	63
Canadian Pacific	159⅞	Rand Mines	6
Chesapeake & Ohio	47⅞	Reading	38⅞
Chi. Great Western	7	Southern Railway	19⅞
Chi., Mil. & St. P.	142	do pfd	46
De Beers	19⅞	Southern Pacific	86
Denver & Rio Grande	27⅞	Union Pacific	154⅞
do pfd	68	do pfd	86
Erie	29	United States Steel	35⅞
do 1st pfd	44⅞	do pfd	105⅞
do 2d pfd	31	Wabash	14⅞
Grand Trunk	18⅞	do pfd	38⅞
Illinois Central	144	Spanish 4s	87⅞
Louisville & Nash	113	Amalgamated Copper	68

SILVER—Bar, steady at 28 13-16d per ounce.

MONEY—1¼ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 1 15-16@2 per cent; for three months' bills, 1 15-16@2 per cent.

Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve, shows: Available cash balances, $240,573,015; gold coin and bullion, $10,506,279; gold certificates, $21,621,779.

REPORT OF THE CLEARING HOUSE

Transactions at the Associated Banks for the Week.

NEW YORK, May 22.—Bradstreet's bank clearings report for the week ending May 23 shows an aggregate of $2,639,116,000, as against $2,687,509,000 last week and $2,757,307,000 in the corresponding week last year. The following is a list of the cities:

CITIES.	Clearings.	Inc.	Dec.
New York	$1,629,962,000	.....	.5
Chicago	228,453,000	.....	10.9
Boston	154,296,000	6.1	.....
Philadelphia	121,034,000	.....	13.6
St. Louis	59,515,000	.....	10.8
Pittsburg	39,250,000	.....	27.6
San Francisco	21,583,000	.....	21.9
Kansas City	34,349,000	6.1	.....
Baltimore	23,480,000	.....	12.2
Cincinnati	22,967,000	.....	17.3
Minneapolis	16,610,000	.....	28.8
New Orleans	15,597,000	.....	13.0
Detroit	19,638,000	34.9	.....
Cleveland	14,682,000	.....	21.3
Omaha	11,821,000	.9	.....
Louisville	11,009,000	.....	17.2
Los Angeles	10,498,000	.....	12.8
Milwaukee	9,132,000	.....	12.0
Seattle	7,482,000	.....	25.7
St. Paul	9,236,000	1.0	.....
Buffalo	8,535,000	.....	.....
Denver	7,340,000	.....	5.2
Indianapolis	6,549,000	.....	13.1
Fort Worth	9,690,000	26.7	.....
Providence	6,347,000	.....	18.2
Portland, Ore.	5,546,000	.....	28.1
Albany	7,143,000	.....	16.8
Richmond	8,640,000	.4	.....
Washington, D. C.	5,682,000	.....	10.8
Spokane, Wash.	5,730,000	.....	2.3
Salt Lake City	4,758,000	.....	9.4
Columbus	4,654,000	.....	28.9
St. Joseph	5,082,000	.....	12.1
Atlanta	3,929,000	.....	18.5
Memphis	4,029,000	.....	10.4
Tacoma	4,100,000	.....	16.8
Savannah	3,145,000	3.7	.....
Toledo, O.	3,621,000	.....	6.3
Nashville	3,111,000	.....	19.5
Rochester	3,301,000	4.7	.....
Hartford	3,141,000	.....	.4
Des Moines	3,115,000	.....	9.8
Peoria	2,429,000	.....	11.6
Norfolk	1,935,000	.....	39.7
New Haven	2,213,000	.....	5.2
Grand Rapids	2,447,000	.....	1.5
Birmingham	1,600,000	.....	26.3
Syracuse	1,831,000	.....	15.7
Sioux City	1,808,000	.....	14.0
Springfield, Mass.	1,751,000	.....	15.9
Evansville	1,748,000	.....	3.2
Portland, Me.	1,633,000	.....	26.3
Dayton	6,566,000	.....	20.1
Little Rock	1,191,000	.....	7.2
Augusta, Ga.	1,198,000	.....	13.1
Oakland, Cal.	1,458,000	.....	43.4
Worcester	1,572,000	.....	3.2
Mobile	925,000	.....	28.2
Knoxville	1,340,000	.....	15.1
Jacksonville, Fla.	1,